

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE THOTTATHIL B.RADHAKRISHNAN

MONDAY, THE 8TH OCTOBER 2007 / 16TH ASWINA 1929

OP.No. 6725 of 2000(A)

PETITIONER:

**T.K. SANKARAN, S/O. UNNAMAN,
(P.O) OMACHAPPUZHA, VIA. THEYYALA,
MALAPPURAM DISTRICT.**

BY ADV. SRI.P.CHANDRASEKHAR.

RESPONDENTS:

- 1. OZHUR GRAMA PANCHAYATH, REPRESENTED
BY ITS SECRETARY, (P.O), OZHUR,
MALAPPURAM DISTRICT.**
- 2. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, MALAPPURAM.**
- 3. THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
(VIGILANCE), MALAPPURAM.**

**BY ADV. SRI.K.RAMACHANDRAN,
ADV. SRI.K.MANU RAJ.**

**THIS ORIGINAL PETITION HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD
ON 08/10/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**

ORDER ON C.M.P. NO. 11283/2000 IN O.P. NO. 6725/2000-A

DISMISSED

08/10/2007.

SD/- THOTTATHIL B.RADHAKRISHNAN, JUDGE.

APPENDIX

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS:

EXT.P.1: COPY OF THE PETITION DTD. 15/02/99 SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE R.2.

EXT.P.2: COPY OF THE LETTER DTD. 27/10/99 NO. 1389/99/D.P.O/M.P.M. FROM THE R.2. TO THE PETITIONER.

EXT.P.3: COPY OF THE PETITION DTD. 26/10/99 SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE R.3.

RESPONDENT'S EXHIBITS: NIL.

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P.A. TO JUDGE.

prv.

THOTTATHIL B.RADHAKRISHNAN, J.

O.P.No.6725 OF 2000

Dated this the 8th day of October, 2007

JUDGMENT

The petitioner's complaint is regarding a water supply project of the first respondent Panchayat. According to the petitioner, appropriate action is not taken having regard to ground realities and that the failure in that regard has resulted in non-availability of drinking water and water for other attendant purposes during summer. The complaint is that the wells dug in that area are not dug deep enough to provide adequate water supply during summer.

2. This writ petition is filed in March, 2000. At this distant point of time, I do not think that it is proper to issue any specific direction other than to ensure that the first respondent Panchayat takes appropriate action as is necessary to ensure supply of portable water, as also water for other purposes, including for agriculture.

In the result, this writ petition is disposed of directing that the respondents, in particular the first respondent, shall ensure that appropriate facilities are made available to ensure that there is portable water for drinking purposes as also necessary water for other purposes, including for agriculture, as may be required for the inhabitants of the locality in question. It is clarified that if the petitioner has any other grievances, that could be taken up before the competent superior authorities or even before the Ombudsman for Local Self Government Institutions.

Sd/-

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Judge

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